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TAGS: NATO, NPG, MNUC

SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS ON ENHANCED RADIATION WEAPONS

REF: USNATO 08491, (DTG 061705Z SEP 77)

1. WE APPRECIATE AMBASSADOR HARTOGH'S INFORMING MISSION THAT DUTCH WILL HAVE QUESTIONS BUT NOT A FINAL POSITION DURING NPG PERMREPS MEETING ON SEPT. 13. DUTCH POSITION, AS MISSION NOTES, IS SIMILAR TO GERMAN. IT WOULD NOT, HOWEVER, BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE TEAM STAY ON OR RETURN FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATIONS, AND WE WOULD PREFER IF POSSIBLE NOT TO SCHEDULE ADDITIONAL NPG PERMREPS MEETING SOLELY TO RECEIVE COMMENTS. OUR PREFERENCE AT THIS POINT WOULD BE FOR COUNTRIES WHICH WISH TO COMMUNICATE VIEWS TO US

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SUBSEQUENT TO THE SEPTEMBER 13 NPG PERMREPS SESSION TO DO SO BILATERALLY, EITHER IN BRUSSELS OR IN CAPITALS. IF DUTCH OR OTHERS INSIST, OF COURSE, WE WOULD HAVE TO GO AHEAD WITH A SECOND MEETING WITHOUT WASHINGTON TEAM.

2. MISSION SHOULD COORDINATE WITH LUNS AND THEN APPROACH HARTOGH AND EXPLAIN THAT WE FULLY UNDERSTAND DUTCH

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THEY HAD PRESENTED THEIR VIEWS.

3. FYI. THE BRITISH APPROACHED US IN WASHINGTON TO
PROPOSE REMITTING THE QUESTION OF ER WEAPONS DEPLOYMENTS
IN NATO TO THE NPG FOR STUDY, WITH A REPORT TO MINISTERS
IN SPRING 1978. THEY INDICATED THIS WOULD ALLOW TIME
FOR THEIR POSITION ON ER WEAPONS TO BECOME FIRM.
END FYI.

4. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED NATO 8540 RECOUNTING DANISH
AND NORWEGIAN APPROACHES TO MISSION. WE RECOGNIZE THESE MAY
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